

REMARKS

In the above referenced Office Action, the Examiner divided the claims into the following groups:

Claims 35-49, drawn to apparatus for electrically processing a workpiece with an auxiliary electrode;

Claims 50-53, drawn to apparatus for electrically processing a workpiece with an exhaust gas conduit;

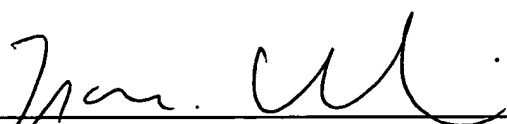
Claims 54-56, drawn to a method for electrically processing a workpiece.

In response, the applicants elect Group II, claims 50-53 without traverse. Non-elected claims 35-49 and 54-56 have been cancelled without prejudice to pursuing these claims in a divisional, continuation or other application.

No fees are believed due with this communication. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any deficiency in fees herein to Deposit Account No. 50-0665.

Respectfully submitted,
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